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PREAMBLE TO AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ALUMNI OF KING'S COLLEGE, WINDSOR.

(Passed the 30th day of March, 1847.)

WHEREAS a number of persons have associated themselves under the name of the Alumni of King's College, Windsor, for the promotion of Education, and have raised, by private contribution, sums of Money which they are desirous to expend in aid of the Funds of the said College, on the promotion of Education in the said College, and the Collegiate School at Windsor connected therewith, in or towards the maintenance and support of the Teachers therein, or in such other way as may best conduce to the end which they have in view, and they are desirous of obtaining assistance from the Legislature by the passing of an Act of Incorporation for enabling them to hold property, and manage their affairs, with greater ease and convenience, &c., &c.

Letter from the President of the Alumni to the Vice-President.

HALIFAX, March 21st, 1894.

DEAR DR. HIND:—

In view of the approaching Conference of the Executive Committee of the Alumni, and the Committee of the Board of Governors, I would feel obliged if you would prepare a statement showing the relation of the Alumni to King's College.

I, as one member, and I am sure I speak for the whole Committee, would be glad to know just where we stand in this crisis in the history of the College, and as you, perhaps more than any other Alumnus, have the information necessary, in your grasp, I have taken the liberty of asking you to assume the additional task, which, if you desire, perhaps Professor Vroom, another member of our Committee, will share with you.

I trust that nothing but good may come out of our meeting, and that the combined wisdom of so many lovers of the old College will find a safe path for her out of the gloom, and into the strong light of a newer and brighter era.

I am, very truly yours,

THOMAS TRENAMAN, M. D.

WINDSOR, March 22nd, 1894.

DEAR DR. TRENAMAN:

I will endeavor to put together in readable form a concise abstract of the history of the Incorporated Alumni and their present relation to the College.

You will gather from the memoranda supplied that the action of the Executive Committee must be prompt and decided, or King's College will become inefficient in its attempt to carry out the principles of its original foundation.

The place which the College ought to occupy in the Maritime Provinces is a high one. It was established "for the education of youth in the

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principles of true Religion, and their instruction in the different branches of Science and Literature."

It has been generously assisted in its endowment by the Alumni, but outside friends have not come forward to a degree in any way commensurate with the growth of the country in secular pursuits, or the standing of the Communion the College serves in religious education and training.

As a Chartered University it possesses great and useful privileges. As the Church College of the Maritime Provinces, it has a large *clientelle*, (120,000), which might be warmed into sustaining it liberally, but from which it is to a great extent isolated and barred by want of effective organization, which, if supplied, would compel intercourse and excite genuine and effective interest.

Hence it arises that in ignorance of its work and needs, coupled with the absence of allotted share in its management, there is littl reciprocal feeling, and no growing ingraft between the College and the majority of the Church people it is designed to serve.

Under such conditions the College must languish and decline, because its present endowments are not nearly sufficient to meet the expanding educational wants of the country. The College ought to win notice by the work it is doing, and the work it may be made to do.

I sincerely join you in the trust that nothing but good may come out of the conference of the Governors and the Executive Committee of the Alumni, and believe that if such organization can be designed as will bring the College to the knowledge of the Church people throughout the Maritime Provinces, with a voice in its management, uniformly distributed, interest in it will grow, accumulate and be practically manifested.

This interest will increase or decline in proportion to the use made by the College itself of the opportunities presented. According as the College cultivates its opportunities, it will thrive or languish, and thus become responsible for its own successful and triumphant life, or its lingering and reproachful death.

Very sincerely yours,

HENRY YOULE HIND.

KING'S COLLEGE, WINDSOR, 27th March, 1894.

DEAR DR. TRENAMAN: –

DR. Hind has shown me your letter of the 21st inst., and I quite agree with you as to the great importance of our being able at this juncture to

see clearly what our position is. The history of the Alumni in relation to the College has been so fully dealt with by Dr. Hind that I am not able to add anything to his statement. It is difficult to believe, after seeing what has been done in the past, that the assistance which we need will fail us now.

We are bound to take a firm stand, it seems to me, on insisting that no effort shall be spared to maintain King's College in its full efficiency as an University. To allow it to become merely a theological college, if such a thing is possible, I think would be deplorable; since however great the increased efficiency in special training, it must inevitably result in lowering the standard of clerical education in the diocese. But I hope that such a charge is not even a possibility.

I think we shall be able to see our way more clearly after the meeting on Thursday next.

Believe me, yours faithfully,

F. W. Vroom.

Memoranda Respecting the Relation of the Alumni to King's College, Windsor.

Aid Sought by the Governors Under the Old Act of 1789.

May 6th, 1846.—At a meeting of the Board of Governors held on May 6th, 1846, it was resolved:—

"That a committee be appointed to ascertain whether funds can be raised from other sources, and especially by the Alumni of the College, to aid the Institution under its present embarrassment."

Committee—The Visitor, the Chief Justice, and the President of the College.

Aid Promised by the Alumni.

May 12th, 1846.—A meeting of the Alumni was held in Halifax, and steps taken to form an Association. It was decided to raise £2,000 within

the Province, and the Rev. W. Gray, D. D., was requested to proceed to England to collect funds.

Mr. Justice Bliss, Chairman of the Association; Rev. Dr. Twining, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. S. L. Shannon, Secretary.

Dec. 1st, 1846.—The Secretary announced that the Alumni would provide £125 towards the salary of the Professor of Modern Languages.

March 30th, 1847.—A Provincial Act was obtained incorporating "The Alumni of King's College, Windsor."

Nov. 2nd, 1847.—The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge agreed to grant £1,000 to King's College, Windsor, if the Alumni raised the £2,000 promised; and further agreed to give another £1,000 as soon as another £2,000 had been raised for the College.

Dec. 4th, 1847.—Bishop John Inglis stated in a circular letter to the clergy that "if the Associated Alumni would raise £2,000 as the commencement of a fund, *from the interest of which the College might derive some good additiae to its permanent income*," etc., etc., "he would go to England and try to raise £4,000 on certain conditions."

The Alumni decided to accept the conditions, and to raise £2,000 to be invested for the benefit of King's College, etc.

This resolution of the Alumni is signed P. C. Hill, acting Secretary.

Jan. 1848.—The information was conveyed to the Alumni that the S. P. C. K. had unanimously agreed to grant the sum of £2,000 to King's College on the conditions specified.

March 17th, 1848.—The Alumni Committee announced that £1,575 had been raised by subscriptions, and a further sum of £400 towards the foundation of a Scholarship in memory of the late Rev. W. Cogswell.

June 21st, 1849.—Total subscriptions amounted to £2,413, 17s., 6d., including the £400 for the Cogswell Scholarship.

1851.—Subscriptions amounted to £2,770, 4s., 6d., besides an annual subscription of £128.

Feb. 3rd, 1851.—At special general meeting it was decided to raise funds for the foundation of a "Professorship of Pastoral Theology," to be called "The Inglis Theological Professorship," in remembrance of the late Bishop. The condition being as stated in the appended resolutions, that the "amount raised be invested and held by the *Alumni in their corporate capacity*." Amount raised, $974.00.

The committee appointed were: The Ven. Archdeacon Willis, the

Rev. J. C. Cochran, the Rev. R. F. Uniacke, the Rev. Geo. W. Hill, and J. W. Ritchie, Esq. (1)

JUNE, 1851.—Income of Society about £200.00 per annum.

First Conference Sought by the Alumni.

JUNE, 1852.—The Alumni sought a conference with the Board of Governors with a view to obtain a Provincial Statute, securing "*the management of the College in the hands of those whose affections are engaged in its behalf.*"

APRIL 4TH, 1853.—The outcome of this conference was that an Act was passed by the Legislature establishing the College as a

Public Corporation

FEB. 11TH, 1854.—New Board of Governors formed, of whom eight were elected by the Alumni. The old Board of Governors ordered all property of the College and University to be transferred to new Board.

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(1) Memo. respecting the INGLIS THEOLOGICAL PROFESSORSHIP. June 21st, 1850. At a general meeting of the Alumni the Rev. R. F. Uniacke moved that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Visitor and Governors of the University in order to ascertain the practicability of the object, and what they are disposed to do, towards a salary of a professor of Pastoral Theology, that he may be named, a subscription opened, and the appointment made without delay. The Committee to report progress to the Committee of the Alumni at Halifax. Committee consisted of Rev. R. F. Uniacke, Rev. J. C. Cochran, Rev. P. Fillmel, Rev. H. L. Owen, Rev. A. Gilpin, Rev. Dr. Twining, J. W. Ritchie, W. J. Almon, P. O. Hill, and the Rev. Dr. Grey. Feb. 3, 1851. At a special meeting of the Alumni held in Halifax, "The Rev. R. F. Uniacke, as Chairman of a Committee appointed at the meeting at Windsor to communicate with the Visitor and Governors on the practicability of founding a Professorship of Pastoral Theology at Windsor, reported that owing to the illness and death of the Visitor, he had been prevented from presenting the plan, but suggesting the present time as a fit and proper one for considering the subject,"

"Whereupon H. Pryor, Esq., moved and the Rev. Mr. Uniacke seconded the following resolution, viz.:—

"Whereas a resolution was adopted at the General Meeting of the Alumni at Windsor, in June last, naming a Committee to confer with the Visitor and Governors on the subject of establishing at King's College, Windsor, a Professorship of Pastoral Theology, and whereas in consequence of the indisposition and death of the late Visitor, the Committee have been unable to carry out the resolution passed by the Alumni:

"Resolved that this is a fit and proper time to reconsider the subject, and that the following gentlemen be a Committee to solicit subscriptions here and elsewhere towards the endowment of a fund for establishing at King's College, Windsor, a Professorship of Pastoral Theology, to be called in remembrance of our late revered Diocesan, "THE INGLIS THEOLOGICAL PROFESSORSHIP."

"Resolved that the amount raised be invested and held by the Alumni in their Corporate capacity, the interest to be appropriated towards the salary of the Professor of the INGLIS THEOLOGICAL PROFESSORSHIP, and that the nomination of the Professor rest with a trust of five to be appointed by the Alumni—the Trustees to be Masters of Arts of King's College, Windsor; Oxford, Cambridge, or Dublin, communicants of the Established Church of England and Ireland;

"Provided, that the appointment of the Professor of Pastoral Theology be not complete or go into effect until it has received the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese."

Property transferred—I. Lands, buildings, and all chattels of every description.

II. General Fund	$55,573.00
III. Visitors' Fund	11,400.00
Total Funds	$66,973.00

On March 8th, 1855, "the Secretary submitted a letter from Charles Merritt, Esq., of St. John N. B., accompanying deeds of a lot of land of 300 acres at Antigonish, and 500 acres at Shubenacadie," as a donation to the Alumni.

JUNE, 1855.—Alumni agreed to create a permanent endowment for King's College, Windsor, and during the year

Forty Thousand Dollars

were raised in the name of the Incorporated Alumni for that purpose. The Alumni also paid the expenses of the agents and other charges connected with the endowment. The Hon. Mr. Collins contributed £1,000.

Up to this period the Alumni had paid one-half of the salary of the Professor of Modern Languages, given occasional assistance to the Collegiate School, ($200.00), and annual prizes in the College and Collegiate School, ($80 to the College, $60 to the Collegiate School). In 1855 the Alumni grants were:

Grant to Professor of Modern Languages	$250.00
Grant to Academy	200.00
Prizes at College	80.00
Prizes at Collegiate School	60.00
	$590.00

First Ten Years.

The results of the first ten years' work of the Alumni in answer to the appeal of the Governors under the Old Act in 1846, were approximately as follows:—

Total amount raised for endowment purposes	$52,053
Average yearly contributions	750

Renewed Effort to Support King's College at Windsor.

1858.—Resolutions were adopted by the Alumni to raise funds for a CHAPEL, LIBRARY, COLLEGE HALL AND MUSEUM, of brick or stone. The building was commenced in 1861. The Alumni collected $7,200, and in

1862 the Executive Committee had to draw $2,355 from their investments. The late E. Binney, Esq., an enthusiastic alumnus, supplied the funds for the Tower. The entire building cost a little over $12,000.

In the Calendar of 1867 is the following acknowledgment:—"The Governors feel that it is no more than due to the Associate Alumni to renew their acknowledgements of the valuable assistance annually rendered by them in pecuniary and other ways. Besides the erection of the new Hall and Library, at an expense of about $12,000, and the yearly contribution of $250 towards the salary of the Professor of Modern Languages for a long time past, the Institution is now indebted to the Alumni for the aid of $200 per annum to enable the Governors to pay the PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS, without which help they could not have ventured to reopen that important Professorship."

SECOND TEN YEARS' contribution to capital acct.....$12,000
Average annual contributions to current acct..... 500

1867.—The Alumni contributed $274 towards making provision for the books in the Library. The income of the Society this year amounted to $1,047.00.

1868.—The attendance of students having declined for some time past, this year the Alumni urged greater activity and interest in the affairs of the College, and began the annual notices of motion at the general meeting requesting the Governors to supply information concerning the financial condition of the College.

AMONG THE FIRST OF THESE NOTICES, published in June, 1869, and which continued without avail for many years, indeed up to 1881, was one couched in the following words:—

"That in order that the Associated Alumni may be informed as to the state and condition of the College, the Governors of the College shall, once in each year previous to the Encænia, submit to the Secretary of the Alumni a statement of the funds of the College, and the investment thereof; and also the expenditure on behalf of the College during the past year; and also a report of the state and present condition of the College."

This resolution was varied from year to year, but always resisted by the Visitor, until the collapse in 1881, when the government grant was finally withdrawn. The College being a Public Corporation, the information sought was proper, and its resistance a grave injustice, leading to doubts and ill-will.

The repeated resolutions to obtain the information so needful to the Alumni, derived force from the acknowledgment by the Board of Governors published in their Calendar for 1866, when accepting from the Alumni

the "Library and Chapel" entirely free from debt, that "this important Association, which forms the constituency, from which the Governors DERIVE THEIR OFFICIAL EXISTENCE, etc." (See Calendar of King's College for 1866).

The Alumni grants this year (1868) were:—

Professor of Modern Languages	$250.00
Professor of Mathematics	200.00

1869—The annual grants were:—

Professor of Modern Languages	250.00
Professor of Mathematics	200.00
Principal Collegiate School	100.00

1872—The annual grants were:—

Professor of Modern Languages	250.00
Professor of Mathematics	250.00
Library Building	62.00
Librarian	40.00

The effect of the activity of the Alumni in the years 1858 to 1864 is well shown in the rapid increase of students during those years. The number of matriculants were as follows:—

1858	6
1859	12
1860	18
1861	19
1862	11
1863	20
1864	6

1874.—At the annual meeting, June 24th, 1874, the following important resolution was adopted:

"That one of the Professors, or some other member of the Associated Alumni, be delegated by the Alumni to travel throughout the Maritime Provinces and ascertain how many students are prepared to enter upon a course at King's College—the travelling expenses of such delegate to be paid out of the funds of this Association."

In 1874 the Alumni appointed the Rev. Stanley Boyd to visit New Brunswick and communicate with the clergy and prominent laymen with regard to the College. Mr. Boyd's report contained the following paragraphs:

"Wherever I went I met with much encouragement."

* * * "Strange and incredible as it may seem, I have found THAT A GREAT LACK OF INFORMATION exists relative to the educational advantages offered to students at Windsor."

During the same year, the Executive Committee in their annual report

dated June 17th, 1874, called attention to the generosity of the late Haliburton Weldon, B. A., who matriculated in 1864, took his degree in 1868, and dying in 1873, bequeathed to King's College a reversionary interest in the sum of $4,000.00.

On the 9th December of this year the Visitor agreed to pay the Divinity Professor out of the Visitor's Fund, in order to enable the Governors to give Dr. McCawley, the retiring President, a pension of $1,400 per annum.

Dec. 14th, 1875. The Executive Committee, in response to the Collegiate School Building Committee, "expressed their sympathy with the objects of the Building Committee, and are willing in every way in their power to co-operate with them in their laudable undertaking."

In 1875 the annual lists of matriculants ceased to be published in the Calendar.

1876. At this period the paucity of the number of students excited much greater attention than the condition of the funds of the College.

The invested capital was returned in a report dated 14th June, 1876, as follows:

General Fund.....	$111,941.67	Int.	$7,387.40
Visitor's Fund.....	40,589.34	"	2,879.34
Total.....	$152,531.01		$10,266.74

The income from the Visitor's Fund was further increased by $973.34 from the S. P. G. for Divinity scholars, which grant continued until 1886.

So marked was the feeling, not only of the Alumni, but of the Synod, respecting the small number of students, that a Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Nova Scotia presented this year a report in which the following recommendations were made:

III. With reference to the College, we feel that an effort should be made to secure the attendance of a larger number of Students. We believe that if our people were generally informed of the advantages offered by the College, the number attending would soon be increased. For the purpose of securing the giving such information, we would make the following suggestions:

(*a*). That the Clergy and Lay Delegates be respectfully requested, immediately upon their return to their Parishes, to set before their people the advantages of the College, and its claims upon their support.

(*b*). That the Bishop be requested to appoint four or five clergymen in different parts of the Diocese to visit, during the summer, the Parishes in their neighbourhood, and (with the consent of the Rectors of the Parishes) to address meetings on the subject of the College and its claims. A collection at each of such meetings would probably be sufficient to pay the expenses of these proposed delegations.

1877. Subscriptions towards the rebuilding of the Collegiate School were collected, amounting to about $4,000.00.

1878. About $2,400 were collected for the Hensley Memorial Chapel. But on condition that it should be constructed of stone, the late Edward Binney, an Alumnus, agreed to furnish the necessary additional fund required, the whole cost slightly exceeding in the aggregate $14,000.

THE THIRD DECENNIAL contribution of the Alumni to capital account amounted to $18,000; average annual contributions, $350.

Second Conference with the Board of Governors

1881. - The Government grant of $2,400.00 being withdrawn, the Board of Governors appointed a Committee to consider a scheme for raising an additional endowment fund, and requested that a Committee from the Alumni should be appointed to confer with their Committee.

The Joint Committee met and reported - whereupon the following Resolutions were passed at the Annual Meeting of the Alumni on 29th June, 1881. (See Calendar of King's College for year 1881-82, page 75 :

A Second $40,000 Voted by the Alumni Conditionally.

Clause 1. That in consequence of the withdrawal of the Government grant, an effort be now made *to increase the endowment of the College*, without which it cannot be maintained in its present position as an University.

Clause 2. That agents be appointed for this Diocese to collect funds and to bring before the people the claims of the University, and that the friends of the College in New Brunswick be communicated with, in order that agents for the Diocese of Fredericton may be appointed for the same purpose.

Clause 3. THAT THE SUM OF $40,000 IS REQUIRED.

Clause 6. That a statement be made to the Alumni at their annual meetings of the funds and appropriations of the College.

Clause 8. That the Governors be requested to lay before the Diocesan Synod at each Session a statement of the condition of the College, and especially of its funds and expenditure.

The Committee to consist of four Alumni and three Governors - Rev. Canon Dart, W. C. Silver, A. B. Warburton and Thomas Trenaman, M. D., representing the Alumni - the Bishop of Nova Scotia, Rev. George Hodgson and the Archdeacon representing the Board of Governors. (See printed appeal "To all who are interested in the maintenance of the University of King's College, Windsor."

A Printed Statement was circulated respecting the condition of the General Fund and the Visitor's Fund.

Total income from General Fund, including Alumni Allowance	$4,900.00
Visitor's Fund	2,450.00
	$7,050.00

The difference between the stated income from the two funds in 1876 and 1881 was startling.

The Appeal of the Committee of 1881 to the public for a New Endowment of $40,000, contained the following clause:

"The recognition of Religion, as an essential feature in the education of youth, is a marked characteristic of King's College; and subscribers to the Endowment may therefore rest assured that the funds provided will always continue to be used exclusively for the BENEFIT of KING'S COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ORIGINAL FOUNDATION."

The Act of 4th April, 1853, making the Governors a public corporation, endowing it with the privileges and powers of a University, and maintaining intact the provisions of the Royal Charter not affected by the Act, and the charter ordaining that the College was established for the "Education of Youth in the principles of True Religion, and for their instruction in the different branches of SCIENCE and LITERATURE which are taught at our Universities in this kingdom," precluded the transformation of King's College solely into a Divinity School, compelled its continuance as a University at Windsor, as it has always been since its foundation, and involved no thought of confederation.

In 1881 began a series of Appeals to Church people throughout the Maritime Provinces for aid to the College.

1881.	No. 1.	From the Joint Committee of Governors and the Alumni.
1882.	" 2.	" Secretary of the Board of Governors.
1883.	" 3.	" Board of Governors.
1885.	" 4.	" Bishop of Nova Scotia.
1887.	" 5.	" Bishop of Nova Scotia and the Bishop of Fredericton.
1889.	" 6.	" Bishop of Nova Scotia and the Bishop of Fredericton

The canvass for the new Endowment Fund of $40,000 was progressing favourably, when the efforts of all engaged in the matter were suddenly paralyzed by the announcement that the Board of Governors were holding communication with the Governors of Dalhousie with reference to "the Confederation of the Colleges," notwithstanding the published declaration cited above. (See Calendar of King's College for 1885-86, page 79).

In 1886 the results of the canvass were published, and it was found that $30,948.61 had been subscribed, but only $14,402.37 paid, leaving $16,546.24 unpaid. Of the Restoration Fund, a fair amount had been collected.

The motion recorded on page 74 of the Journal of the Synod of the Diocese of Nova Scotia, coupled with the adoption of the Report of the Committee on Education, page 78, recommending consolidation with Dalhousie, confirmed the paralysis which arrested the efforts of the Alumni in 1885. The results in 1893 showed a new Endowment Fund of $18,575.33 in place of $40,000. The Restoration Fund for building purposes had reached the very respectable sum of $4,555.19. This was used in renovating the College building.

1882.—The following important resolution was passed at the Annual General Meeting in June, 1882:—

"That the Secretary of the Alumni obtain from every clergyman in the Dioceses of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick a list of names of persons in his Parish or Mission who ought to be members of the Associated Alumni, and that the Secretary send a printed invitation, to each person whose name is received inviting him to become a member of the Association."

Third Conference of the Executive Committee of the Alumni With the Board of Governors.

DEC. 1884.—The Board of Governors passed the following resolution:

"*Resolved*,—That whereas it is found to be impossible, owing to the state of the finances, to continue the present number of the staff of King's College, the Executive Committee of the Alumni be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with a Committee of this Board as to the possibility of raising sufficient funds, or, as an alternative, the propriety of reducing the number of Chairs."

The summary of the controversy which took place between the Alumni and Board of Governors this year, will be found in the Calendar of King's College for 1885-86, pages 71 to 81. It is probably unique in its character.

APRIL 21ST, 1885. At this date an important decision was arrived at in the proceedings of the Supreme Court, which are thus described in the Nova Scotia Law Reports, 1884-86, vol. vi, p. 189. The matter arose out of the proceedings recorded in the Calendar of King's College for 1885-86, referred to in the last paragraph

"That the College being a public corporation, established by public statute, and the Visitor being deprived of the power to dismiss, the wide range of powers incident to the office of Visitor, at common law, were not conferred on him."

Suggested Consolidation With Dalhousie College.

JULY, 1888. - The resolutions submitted to the Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia on July 2nd, 1888, coupled with the Report of the Committee on Education, suggesting consolidation with Dalhousie College, so thoroughly aroused and alarmed the majority of the Board of Governors as to the position of the Alumni in relation to the College, that instant and decided action to save the College from the effect of such destructive suggestions, was needed. (1)

At a meeting held August 2nd, 1888, the following resolution was passed by the Board :

"That the RESIDENT GOVERNORS, together with DR. PARTRIDGE and DR. JACK, be a Committee of Inquiry, with full power and authority to take such steps as they may deem proper, to examine, or cause to be examined, all Books, Records, Papers and Documents in the College Library, or in the charge of any officer of the University or College or Collegiate School, or any Trustee of Property belonging to the University, College or Collegiate School, and to enquire into and prepare a synopsis of all matters therein which shall seem to them to bear upon the history of the University and College or Collegiate School, and upon the ENDOWMENTS, landed property and other property of any kind, Investments, Scholarships, Exhibitions, Prizes, Bequests and Trusts whatever, held by the GOVERNORS, TRUSTEES or OTHER PERSONS for the benefit of the said University of King's College or the Collegiate School ; and further, to prepare a schedule of the same, and a brief outline of the objects, provisions, present condition and value of each, for the information of the Board, and to report from time to time.

"The Committee are also hereby authorized to employ a suitable person, or persons, for the purposes specified in this resolution, with such remuneration as they may think proper. The Secretary and Treasurer of this Board, and any other officers of the University or College, are hereby requested and authorized to furnish the Committee or the person or persons duly appointed by the Committee, all facilities for fulfilling the duties imposed by this resolution, and to afford all the information on the matters herein specified which lies within their province or power."

Another Committee was appointed to examine into the "Estates and Securities.

Labor during many months was spent upon the matters referred to in the foregoing resolution of the Board of Governors, and on the 22nd Jan., 1889, a joint report of the two committees was presented to the Board,

(1) The resolutions referred to, adopted by the Synod, are recorded in the minutes of the Synod, Dalhousie College is referred to in the Journal of the 21st Synod. The Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia, page 55, and the 24th Synod, page 51. The Secretary of the Alumni in 1888, already referred to.

read, accepted, and ordered to be printed for the private information of the Board. This joint report was signed by

HENRY YEVELE HIND,
Convener of the Enquiry Committee.

and FRANCIS PARTRIDGE,
Chairman of Committee on Estates and Securities.

At a special meeting of the Board of Governors held on Feb. 7th, 1889, in Windsor, called for the purpose of considering what measures should be adopted with regard to the matters brought forward in the joint report of the Enquiry Committee and the Committee on Estates and Securities, accepted on the 22nd Jan., 1889, another report, signed by all the resident members of the Enquiry Committee, was presented, received, and in part acted upon.

Among other important matters, the joint report embodied information and conclusions of momentous character in relation to the growing increase of the "Visitor's Fund" and the gradual decline of the "General Fund" of the University and College. Up to the present hour nothing material has been done in the way of arranging or settling the alleged claims of the Visitor's Fund against the General Fund, or alleged indebtedness of the General Fund to the Visitor's Fund, as in part only stated in the Calendar of the University. (1) But an excellent and generous arrangement was made by his Lordship the Bishop, with regard to limiting the Divinity Scholarships, and providing that they shall be *properly earned* and merited.

The Visitor's Fund arises chiefly from savings out of the annual grants of the S. P. G., and the occasional grants of the S. P. C. K. for Divinity Scholarships at the College, and Exhibitions at the Collegiate School.

Action of the Alumni.

1892. On the 17th of June the Secretary of the Association transmitted a printed circular to all members, calling attention to the *critical financial state of the affairs of the College*.

JUNE 29TH, 1892. The Calendar of the University for this year records that at the general meeting of the Alumni held on 29th June, 1892, there was laid on the table:

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(1) [illegible] the Corporation of King's College [illegible] By [illegible] Chief Justice Draper, Chancellor [illegible] Vice-Chancellor [illegible] Attorney-General [illegible] Solicitor-General [illegible] Clerk of the Crown [illegible]

(a) The minute book of the Board of Governors.

(b) A statement of the College Finances.

(c) A report of the financial position of the College, prepared by the Auditors at the request of the Governors.

The Report was ordered by the meeting to be sent to the Governors for their information.

The Report is of vital importance. It is dated June 28th, 1892. It is signed

CHARLES D. CORY, }
W. C. SILVER, } *Committee.*

The Report is addressed to the Alumni Association, King's College, Windsor.

It says: "The undersigned were on the 10th instant appointed a committee 'to prepare a full statement of the financial position of the College, and present the same to the Alumni Association at their next annual meeting.'"

The Report recommends that "a competent person should be engaged to fully examine into the financial affairs of the College." The committee further stated that in their opinion "better results would follow if the entire finances of the College were consolidated under the management of a small committee, having *a competent paid Secretary-Treasurer*"; and the Report concludes with the opinion, "that a special committee should be appointed to take the very important subject of the present financial condition of the College into consideration, with power to employ such skilled assistance as they may deem necessary, in order that the exact situation may be determined and made known to the Alumni, and such steps as you may think best taken to place the University upon a proper financial footing."

This Report concerns the disposition and status of $154,242.20, bringing in an income of $9,086.90—as alleged on page 96 of the Calendar of King's College for the year 1892-93. It is practically the sustenance of the College, without which it cannot continue to live.

Considering the great responsibilities of the Associated Alumni in their relation to King's College; their contributions to its maintenance and efficiency; the weighty moral obligation which rests on all connected with the financial position of the College, special reference to this vital Report is not only proper at this crisis in the affairs of the College, but it is essential. The same remark applies with equal force to the Reports presented on the 22nd January, 1889, and at other dates.

At the same meeting the following resolution, being No. 4 of a series, was adopted:

"That the Governors be requested to consider the advisability of submitting all investments and securities, and property of all kinds, to examination, and when profitable, to readjustment, scrupulously maintaining the endowment intact with a regard to all trusts."

The Executive Committee's report for 1893, published in the Calendar of the University for 1893-94, alleges that "with respect to the important matters covered by this resolution, we have no information to communicate to the Alumni.

Summary of Alumni Contributions.

It is now time to review and specify the pecuniary contributions of the Alumni to King's College during the 47 years of their existence as an incorporated body.

Contributions to the Endowment of King's College.

1847 to 1857	$52,053
1881 to 1893	18,550
	$70,603

Contributions to Buildings.

Library and Convocation Hall	$ 12,000.00
Hensley Memorial Chapel	14,000.00
Collegiate School	4,000.00
Restoration Fund	4,555.19
	$34,555.19

Capital Account.

Endowment	$ 70,603.00
Buildings	34,555.19
	$105,158.19

Current Account.

Annual subscriptions towards Professors and Tutors in the College and Masters in the Collegiate School, etc.:

1847 to 1857	—Average per annum,	$750		$ 7,500
1857 to 1867	"	"	500	5,000
1867 to 1877	"	"	350	3,500
1877 to 1887	"	"	250	2,500
1887 to 1893-4	"	"	(7 years)	3,850
Total for current expenses				$22,350

SUMMARY

Contributions to the Endowment	$ 70,663.00
" to Buildings	34,555.19
" Current Expenses	22,350.00
Total	$127,568.19

Summary of the Relations of the Alumni to King's College.

It appears from the foregoing outline of the history of the Alumni in relation to the University of King's College, that since the year 1846, when aid was solicited from them by the old political Board of Governors, they have not only contributed upwards of $127,500 towards its maintenance, but have succeeded in obtaining a Provincial Statute, which practically places the College under their control as a Public Corporation.

By the offer of the Alumni, a limited representation on the Board of Governors was accorded in recent years to the Synods of the Dioceses of Nova Scotia and Fredericton. (See pa. 92 of Journal of Synod for 1882.)

The Alumni control twelve out of eighteen votes on the present Board of Governors, twelve members of the Board having their official existence" from the Alumni.

In accepting the position of Governor, each member, however elected, accepts the responsibility attached to the trusts committed to the charge of the Governors, and consequently becomes personally responsible for the debts of the Institution to Trust Funds.

And it is the right of all who have been elected members of the Board of Governors by the Alumni, or who may subsequently be elected members of that body, that they should be duly informed of the responsibilities they accept on taking office.

The following table shows the average attendance of Clergymen and Laymen at the annual meetings of the Incorporated Alumni for different stated periods:

1849 1854	13 Clergy,	16 Laymen.	Total	29
1878 1883	11 "	15 "	"	26
1884 1893	19 "	26 "	"	45

Showing a recent increase in the average attendance at annual Alumni meetings.

The Object for Which King's College was Founded.

It now remains to show in what form and for whom a large proportion of these liberal donations and annual contributions were expended. This

disclosure. I suggest only how it ethically set forth will leave the Alumni "just where they stand at this crisis in the history of King's College."

Science and Literature.

There is nothing in the Charter, or in the Act of 1853, having special reference to a Divinity School or Divinity Students. But there are specific Regulations in the Charter.

The Charter declares that King's College was founded for "the Education of Youth in the Principles of true Religion, and for their instruction in the different branches of SCIENCE and LITERATURE which are taught at our Universities in this Kingdom."

Also, "There shall be established from this time one College, the mother of an University for the education and instruction of Youth and Students in Arts and Faculties, to continue for ever, and to be called King's College."

When Chief Justice Blowers and Judge Croke were appointed a Committee to frame the Statutes of this University in May, 1803, these jurists declared the principles and mode by which they had proceeded, and said: "Both from the whole tenor of the Charter and by the express declaration of His Majesty's intention 'to found a College for the instruction of Youth in the different branches of SCIENCE and LITERATURE which are taught at the Universities in the United Kingdom,' the attention of the Governors, etc." And these jurists further said, "As the Charter is the fundamental law of this Institution, we began by extracting from it such parts as contained our SPECIFIC REGULATIONS." (*Minutes of the Board in 1803, page* ——.) The specific regulations refer to instruction in the principles of true Religion, "SCIENCE and LITERATURE" only; the general terms, "Arts and Faculties," include Divinity, Medicine, Law, which are not specified. This is a curious and interesting point, and, at the first blush, of no real moment in relation to the status of the Alumni. But it grows in import as the history of the Associated Alumni becomes developed, and a proper meaning given to "the Education of Youth in the principles of true Religion."

Under clause 6 of the Act, obtained by the Alumni in 1853, to incorporate the Governors of King's College, Windsor, the Governors can do anything not *contrary to the Charter or to the Act* [illegible].

If the Alumni had not come forward in 1846 to rescue King's College from impending financial ruin, it would have died a natural death or lingered inert for many years. The S. P. G. withdrew their grant of £500 stg., and the Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, who was returning and to the College

from the Imperial Treasury, wrote to Lord Stanley that the loss of the S. P. G. grant "will be most detrimental to the interests of the College, but that they must look to private parties in the Province. The Alumni came forward and the College was saved. Since that date the maintenance of the College has been mainly due to the Alumni."

The Visitor's Fund.

The "Specific regulations" of the Charter, have been overshadowed, and perhaps properly so, by the claims of other Faculties, especially Divinity: and the funds of the Institution as a Church of England College, including Divinity Scholarships and Nominations, have been, and are, largely expended in the training of men for the ministry.

With this view no doubt the late Visitor nursed the so-called "Visitor's Fund" until, in 1885, when an appeal was made, the Bishop of Nova Scotia announced in a printed document that the Visitor's Fund amounted to $55,250.00 and the General Fund, after deducting the new Endowment Fund, to $73,261.00. But when, as subsequently ascertained by the Inquiry Committee of 1889, the indebtedness claimed to be due to the Visitor's Fund by the General Fund, was deducted from that Fund, the two funds were nearly equal, the overplus being probably on the side of the Visitor's Fund.

Until the advent of his Lordship, Bishop Courtney, the Visitor's Fund was continually augmented by savings, and the General Fund continually lessened by expenditure. In this unequal contest the General Fund would have speedily disappeared, and the financial control of the College have passed out of the hands of the Alumni, or their representatives on the Board. This is what the Joint Report of the "Enquiry Committee" and "Committee on Estates and Securities" discovered in 1889, and reported. Bishop Courtney acted promptly, generously, and in fact did what he could at the time. But matters at the present day are in a still worse condition, for the General Fund is saddled with an additional debt, incurred since 1889, amounting to $24,000. Not to disclose these facts, not to discuss them temperately, fully, and without bias, and not to remedy them for they can be remedied, before appealing to the public for additional aid, would be something worse than a mistake.

But the remedy seems easy and just, and with the consent of his Lordship, the Bishop, the Executive Committee of the Alumni "will soon know just where we stand in this crisis of the history of the College."

The "Visitor's Fund" has long been a bone of contention. As matters

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Cause of this Indebtedness.

During the years between 1846 and 1880, throughout which period the Alumni rent existed the College to the extent of about $120,000, the number of clergymen ordained from King's College was 128.

Nearly all of these were aided throughout their College course by Divinity Scholarships and Nominations. The nominations averaged $50.00 in value for a three years course, including fees for degree. (1) Assuming that 100 clergymen out of the 128 ordained had enjoyed nominations, the value of the Alumni contribution would have reached $25,000, exclusive of all the bonuses and advantages derived from the buildings which had been erected and kept in repair, the annual contributions to the salaries of the professorial staff, [illegible] maintenance, and every other expense outside of the domestic outlay which the Divinity Scholarship did not cover. It has often been asked why were not the savings of unused Divinity Scholarships charged with a fair proportion of the additional Alumni outlay which has made a College course at King's for Divinity students not only possible but profitable? It is a fair question to ask, and [illegible] consideration, on its being favourably or unfavourably

(1) [illegible] $50.00

answered the query as to [illegible] of the Financial Officers of King's College would appear to rest.

Since Bishop Courtney's advent this has been generously done [illegible] the time. If made retrospective, as it is submitted it ought to be, [illegible] but would be afforded the General Fund, and the Executive Committee of the Alumni could proceed with their work from a more satisfactory standpoint.

Fourth Conference of the Executive Committee of the Alumni with the Board of Governors.

1891. At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Alumni held at Halifax on 24th Feb., 1891, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas no recent information respecting the alarming Financial position of the College has been submitted to the Executive Committee by the Vice President, strongly pointing out that no amelioration has taken place since the communication on the same subject received from the Governors in 1889, and specially referred to in Section 7 of the Executive Committee's report for that year;

And Whereas it appears from the Financial Statements published in the Calendar of the University of King's College that apart from a large debt incurred on Capital account in improving the College Buildings the sums paid [illegible] during the year 1892-93 exceeded the average annual income of the College for six years from the General Fund, including the Alumni Assurance and the Parish collections, by about $700 and that the disproportion between salaries and income will be still greater this year; etc.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Alumni recognizes the necessity for endeavouring to preserve the full efficiency of King's College as a Church Institution, and are willing to do their utmost towards its maintenance, yet they feel that in order to secure the desired results, more measures should be adopted by the Board of Governors.

Resolved, That a full statement, in detail, be prepared for the information of the Executive Committee, of the sums expended on and in the College Buildings, and for what purposes; such expenditure being the outcome of Resolution No. 2 (*) passed at a general meeting of the Alumni in June, 1892. Also that a classified statement of the number of students attending the College during the past seven years, be furnished the Executive Committee.

Resolved, That full information, in detail, be furnished the Executive

(*) [illegible] Resolution was passed by the Alumni to consider the advisability of [illegible] College, a committee was appointed to meet the Governors of the College [illegible] the matter, [illegible] Committee reported [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Resolution [illegible]

Committee, of the Expenditure and Income, from separate sources, arising from the adoption of the measures embodied in resolution No. 3 (†) passed at the same meeting of the Alumni in 1892.

Third. That, whereas the total amount contributed in aid of King's College, directly or indirectly, by the Alumni, during the past forty-seven years, has exceeded $90,000.00, the major part of which are inalienable Trust Funds for endowment purposes, which the Executive Committee of the Alumni are morally bound to protect, the Board of Governors, in view of existing financial difficulties and the relation of the Incorporated Alumni to the College, be earnestly requested to decline making any arrangements for the ensuing Collegiate year, beginning July 1st, 1894, for any expenditure whatever, by giving the necessary notices in accordance with the regulations passed by the Board of Governors on March 25, 1885, and June 8, 1886, until the Executive Committee of the Alumni have been afforded an opportunity, as in June, 1881, of joining with the Governors and others in formulating a plan for the preservation of the College in full efficiency, and seeking financial aid for that object.

Further Resolved That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted forthwith to each member of the Board of Governors by the Secretary.

Resolutions Adopted at the Conference of the Board of Governors of King's College with the Executive Committee of the Alumni on Thursday, 29th March, 1894.

The New Board.

That the present Board be increased by the addition of twenty-four new members. The new Board to meet ordinarily twice a year. At their first meeting they shall appoint a College Council, and a Finance Committee.

The College Council.

The College Council to consist of :

(*a*) Ten members appointed by the Board of Governors from their own body, five of whom are to be nominated by the Alumni. (*b*) The President of the College. (*c*) One member elected by the Faculty from their own number.

This Council shall act as an Executive Committee, but all acts involving the rights and privileges of the University and College shall require the approval of the Board.

The Finance Committee.

To be appointed by the Board of Governors, and all matters i...olving

† *Resolution No. 3, of June, 1892.* That the Governors be requested to consider the advisability of placing the Collegiate School and the College under one responsible head, and the management of the landed property under one supervision for the support of the combined institutions.

expenditure to be referred to this Committee. Said Committee to report at each half yearly meeting of the Board.

THE LAW SCHOOL.

That none of the present "*Faculties*" of the University be discontinued.

RETRENCHMENT.

That in the opinion of this Conference, it is necessary under the present financial condition of King's College to decrease its annual expenditure by dispensing with one of its professors, and that the Board of Governors be requested not to re-appoint such professor as shall in their judgment least impair the efficiency of the College.

RAISING FUNDS.

Whereas, This meeting has recommended to the Board of Governors, and to the Executive Committee of the Alumni, that a scheme embodying a larger and more popular representation, and the bringing the expenditure within the income be adopted; and it is necessary, in order to accomplish the latter of these objects, that the entire present indebtedness of the College be discharged.

Therefore Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed from this meeting to canvass the City of Halifax and the Town of Windsor for subscriptions towards the extinction of the debt upon King's College and secure further sufficient endowment; and that after this canvass has been completed, steps be taken to extend the canvass to other portions of the Maritime Provinces.

Committee—Prof. Vroom, Dr. Hind, C. S. Wilcox, Esq., J. Y. Payzant, Esq., Dr. Trenaman, Rev. J. O. Ruggles, Rev. Canon Partridge.

Resolution Adopted by the Board of Governors at their Monthly Meeting held in Windsor on the 12th April, 1894, and ordered to be transmitted to the Executive Committee of the Alumni.

Resolved, That the scheme for the larger representation of the whole Church upon the Board of Governors, adopted by the Conference of the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee of the Alumni, held on the 29th March, 1894, for recommendation to the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee of the Alumni respectively, at their next meetings, be, and is hereby accepted by this Board, and that the Secretary be instructed to inform the Executive Committee of the Alumni, as soon as possible, of the acceptance of the scheme by this Board, as presented.

NOTE. The word "Faculty" in (c) under the heading, the "College Council," to mean "College Board," as defined in the Statutes.

Resolutions Adopted by the Executive Committee of the Alumni at their Meeting held in Halifax on the 21st day of April, 1894.

No. I.

Whereas,—The scheme for the larger representation of the whole Church upon the Board of Governors, adopted by the Conference of the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee of the Alumni, held on the 29th March, 1894, for recommendation to the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee of the Alumni respectively, at their next meetings, has been accepted by the Board of Governors according to the resolution transmitted to the Executive Committee by the Secretary of the Board,

Therefore it is resolved,—That the said scheme, as presented, be accepted by the Executive Committee on behalf of the Alumni.

No. II.

That this Committee approve the measure of retrenchment submitted by the Conference, provided that, in the meantime, sufficient funds be not forthcoming to warrant the continuance of the Chair.

No. III.

That this Committee approve the resolution of the Conference to appoint a committee to canvass "for subscriptions towards the extinction of the debt upon King's College and secure further sufficient endowment," and confirms the committee named in the resolution.

No. IV.

With regard to the measures proposed by the Conference for "RAISING FUNDS," with a view to discharge "THE ENTIRE PRESENT INDEBTEDNESS OF THE COLLEGE" and bring the expenditure within the income, in the opinion of this Committee it is essential that the entire present indebtedness of the College be ascertained, and to effect this object that the measures suggested in the Report of MESSRS. CORY AND SILVER (the Auditors to the Alumni, dated Halifax, June 28th, 1892, and referred to the Board of Governors at the general meeting held on the 29th June, 1892, for their information, be immediately carried into effect, "IN ORDER (as stated in the Report) THAT THE EXACT SITUATION MAY BE DETERMINED AND MADE KNOWN TO THE ALUMNI," in all particulars, both as to the General Fund and the Visitors' Fund, with a statement of the alleged indebtedness of one Fund to the other, and that a small joint committee, consisting of business laymen, be forthwith appointed with power to employ skilled legal and expert assistance for that object.

No. V.

That the President and the Vice-President be the representatives of the Alumni on the joint Committee of Laymen.

No. VI.

That 250 copies of the pamphlet submitted, entitled, "The Relation of the Alumni to King's College, Windsor," be printed.

No. VII.

That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Canvassing Committee of the acceptance of the scheme by both bodies, and of their confirmation as a Committee, with a request that they proceed at once with the canvass.